

A third feature of the coöperation will be an illustrated lecture on the native trees of the Hudson River Valley to be delivered at the Museum Building of the Garden on the afternoon of Saturday, October 30, at four o'clock.

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### BOROUGHES OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS \*

Through the courtesy of Commissioner Michael J. Kennedy, the different species of trees have been labeled in Prospect Park, from the Plaza to the Willink Entrance; in Bedford Park; in Highland Park, and in Tompkins Park. An additional small enameled sign has been hung on those labeled trees that were indigenous to the Hudson River Valley in 1609. The special label reads: "This species is a native of the Hudson River Valley."

### TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB FIELD MEETINGS

The field committee will hold no meetings on September 25 or October 2, on account of the Hudson-Fulton Celebration.

*October 9.* — Special excursion for fungi. — Party will meet at museum building of the Botanical Garden at 2 p. m., where they will be met by the guide, Dr. W. A. Merrill.

*October 16, Fort Lee to Hackensack, N. J.* — Party will meet at the west 130th Street Ferry at 3 p. m. Return as desired. Guide, Miss Broadhurst. Cost of trip, 20 cents.

*October 23.* — Special excursion for fungi. Party will meet at the Jerome Avenue entrance to Woodlawn Cemetery at 2 p. m., where they will be met by the guide, Mr. F. J. Seaver. Cost of trip, about 20 cents.

*October 30, Wingdale, N. Y.* — Train leaves Lexington Avenue Station (N. Y. Central, Harlem Division), at 8:52 a. m. Returning train leaves at 4:36 p. m. Bring lunch. Cost of trip, \$3.25. Guide, Mr. Taylor.

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Note. — Members are urged to verify times of departure of trains owing to possible changes in time-tables. The excursion on October 30 will be the last of the season.

THE FIELD COMMITTEE,  
NORMAN TAYLOR, Chairman

## OF INTEREST TO TEACHERS

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECORDING OBSERVATIONS ON FOREST TREES

Under the direction of the chief forester, Mr. Pinchot, the government Forest Service has issued a leaflet of instructions for recording observations on the leafing, flowering, and fruiting of forest trees. A sample sheet (form 416) is reproduced below. These are obtainable at the forestry department and should appeal to many now occupied in a desultory observation of the seasonal changes. In the schools, the flower, leaf, and fruit charts and records kept by some teachers would gain an added interest if these sheets were used, and the pupils knew of the government's recognition of the practical value of such work.

#### Form 416.

SPECIES .....

Period covered by observations.....

Name of observer.....

Residence.....  
(State) (County) (Town)

General character of country. — *Mountains ; foothills ; plains ; river valley ; seacoast.*

Situation of trees. — *Level ; slope (north, east, west, south) ; hilltop ; river bottom ; soil (sandy, clayey, heavy, light, deep, shallow, moist, dry).*

(Please check the words which apply to your particular locality and to the trees observed.)

Approximate elevation above sea level.....

Location of nearest Weather Bureau station.....

State if season was wet or dry, early or late, etc. ....